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SUBJECT: **STATUS REPORT ON KEY INDICATORS OF PROGRESS, HOSPITAL OPERATIONS, AND OTHER ISSUES RELATED TO THE TRANSITION TO THE NEW LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER – PROGRESS REPORT #15 (Agenda Item #S-1, July 14, 2009)**

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This is to provide your Board with the bi-monthly report on the status of transitioning to the new LAC+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC). This report is not the full monthly operational report but an interim report of Emergency Department (ED) and hospital admission volumes and specialty services trending for the period of June 2009. The new hospital has been fully operational for nine months.

### **Census Trending (ADC includes Psychiatric & Newborn Patients)**

The Average Daily Census (ADC) for the month of June was 572 out of 671 licensed beds, an estimated 83% utilization rate (85% occupancy). The census for Medical/Surgical units was an estimated 92% utilization rate (95% occupancy) for June 2009.

### **Emergency Department and Hospital Admission Volume Trending**

Attachment 1 demonstrates that the trending of ED registration and admissions from the ED have stabilized at approximately 14,000 and 2,000, respectively. Hospital admissions have increased, primarily due to the opening of ten additional Medical/Surgical beds through State licensure flex approval as described in the prior June 23, 2009 Board memo.

The overall hospital admission rate for the month of June was 92% of the pre-move admission rate (based a six month average of admissions prior to the move). With the additional average of 64 ED patients transported to Rancho and other private hospitals on a monthly basis, the overall admission rate is increased to 94% of the pre-move admission rate.

### **Specialty Services**

Attachment 2 shows the ADC trends for the specialty areas of OB/GYN, Pediatrics, ICU, Psychiatry, Jail and Burn. These areas will continue to fluctuate, primarily based on types of patients presenting to the ED.

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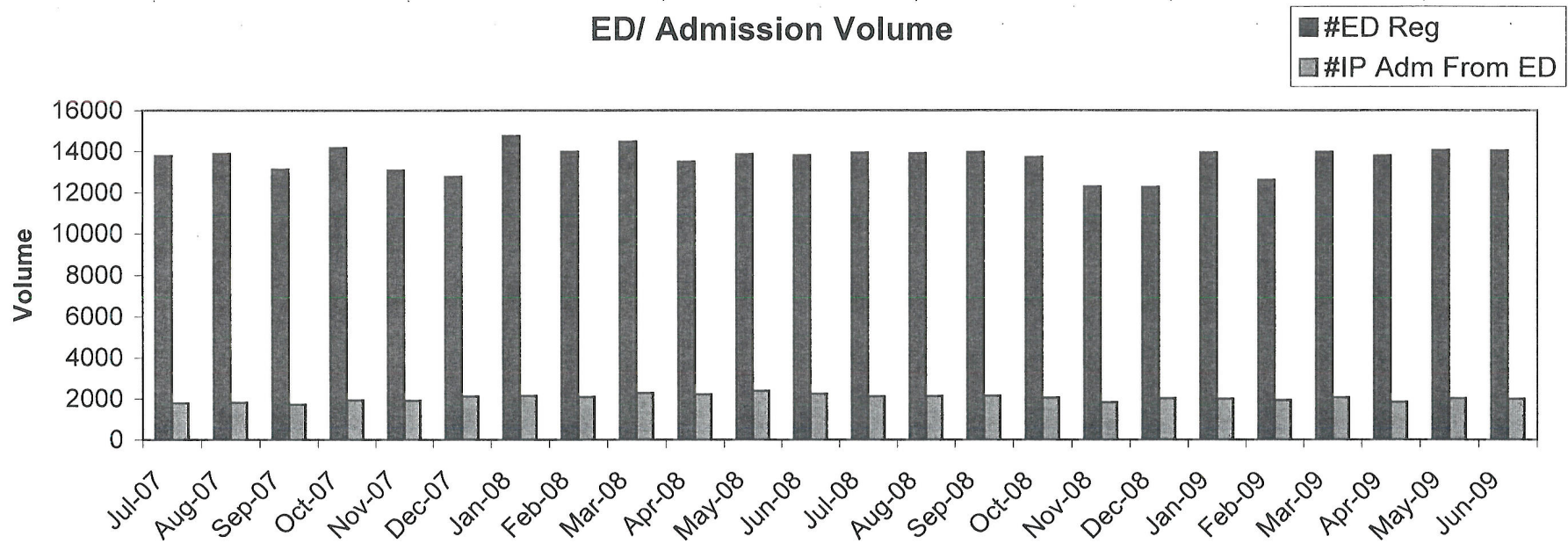
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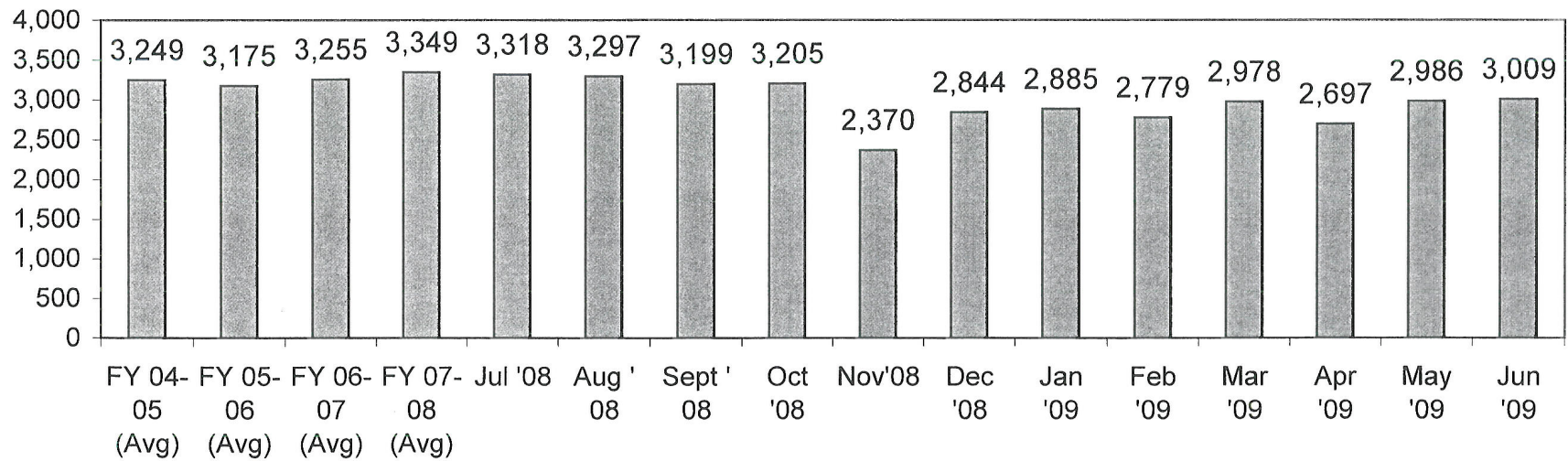
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## LAC+USC Medical Center Workload Summary

### ED/ Admission Volume



### Admissions



LAC+USC Healthcare Network  
Average Daily Census by Nursing Unit Subset, Jul-2008 to Jun-2009  
based on Affinity Nursing Unit Statistical Reports

Attachment 2

